

IN THE CLAIMS

1. - 20. (Cancelled)

21. (Currently Amended) A system for the automatic collection and conditioning of closed caption text comprising:

a tuner comprising means for receiving all broadcast material from at least one broadcast source from geographically diverse broadcast sources, said broadcast source being generated at a first time;

a decoder operatively connected to said tuner to decode closed caption text streams in said all broadcast material;

a text handler operatively connected to said decoder to write said decoded closed caption text streams for said all broadcast material to one or more closed caption text files comprising text;

a server for storing said text in a database;

a previously submitted search profile originated from an inquiry client that is not actively accessing said server, and means for saving said search profile being at a second time prior to said first time; and

processing means operatively connected to said server for automatically comparing said text files to said previously submitted search profile to create a search result comprising said text, further comprising conditioning means for conditioning said text files to impose format consistency upon said text files regardless of the origin of the broadcast, and means for providing a format consistent printable document comprising information identifying the broadcast

sources and the inquiry client, and means for automatically contacting said inquiry client regarding said search result.

22. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein said processing means automatically electronically transmits said search result to said inquiry client at a third time after the first time.

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~23~~, 22, wherein said processing means automatically delivers said printable document to said inquiry client.

25. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 21, wherein said search results have an embedded link adapted to allow said inquiry client to directly access said text files.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 21, further comprising indexing means for indexing words in said text for later retrieval.

28. – 40. (Cancelled)

41. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein ~~the all~~ said broadcast material ~~comprises~~ consists of news, and the automatically transmitted search result comprises a consistently formatted report of a portion of said news corresponding to the previously submitted search profile, and wherein the inquiry client is not actually accessing the system whereby a report consisting of current broadcast news of particular interest to the inquiry client is automatically electronically provided to the inquiry client.

42. (New) The system of claim 41, wherein the printable document report consists of consistently formatted news text from at least two geographically diverse news broadcast sources.